

CITY COUNCIL  
PALMYRA, MISSOURI

June 16, 2016

The Palmyra City Council met on the above date in city hall at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Loren Graham presiding and opening the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following council members answered roll call: Nathan Miller, Andrew Salsman, Josh Smith, Pam Behring, Ken Sheputis and Jeff Merkel. Also present were Lynn Smith, Eddie Bogue, Brent Abell, Tim Barnes, Kerry Cordray, Jayson Heberlein, Dan Winters, Eric Shangraw, Mark Cheffey, Trevor McDonald and Chase Hickman.

A motion was made by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Salsman to approve the consent agenda as presented. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller, Salsman, Smith, Behring, Sheputis and Merkel. Nays: None. The motion carried. The consent agenda consisted of the following:

- a. Approval of the June 2<sup>nd</sup> minutes
- b. Bills for Approval
- c. Financial Report – May.

Kerry Cordray, Public Information Officer for Missouri Public Utility Alliance, presented the city with a check in the amount of \$48,320.00 from MoPEP to support capital cost to improve the electrical system. The funds were awarded from a grant application submitted by Superintendent Brent Abell. Mr. Cordray exited the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

The city's current solid waste contract is subject to termination on August 31, 2016. Dan Winters and Jayson Heberlein from Republic Services along with Eric Shangraw from Area Disposal expressed interest in serving the community. The consensus of the council was to bid out the service.

A motion was made by Council Member Sheputis and seconded by Council Member Salsman to authorize Mayor Graham to execute the one year lease agreement with Douglass Community Services for use of a facility within Flower City Park. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller, Salsman, Smith, Behring, Sheputis and Merkel. Nays: None. The motion carried.

City Attorney Chase Hickman provided the second reading of Bill #1540 entitled "AN ORDINANCE ENACTING CHAPTER 402 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALMYRA, MISSOURI, PROVIDING FOR NET METERING ELECTRIC SERVICE AND ELECTRICAL SYSTEM INTEGRATION." A motion was made by Council Member Sheputis and seconded by Council Member Smith to pass and approve Bill #1540 into ordinance. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller, Salsman, Smith, Behring, Sheputis and Merkel. Nays: None. The motion carried. Bill #1540 became Ordinance #1177-16-03.

City Attorney Hickman provided the first reading of Bill #1541 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 410.010 AND SECTION 410.050 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALMYRA PERTAINING TO REGULATIONS FOR SUBDIVISIONS AND ADDITIONS AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF."

City Attorney Hickman provided the first reading of Bill #1542 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 205 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALMYRA, MISSOURI, REGULATING DOGS AND CATS, AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF."

Council Member Merkel reported on a Police Committee meeting held earlier in the evening where a discussion was held on the purchase of equipment. A motion was made by Council Member Merkel and seconded by Council Member Miller to authorize Chief Bogue to purchase the following list of equipment in the total sum of \$14,402.86 from monies in the Law Enforcement Fund: 7-tasers and holsters; 3 patrol rifles, 4 body cameras and a computer server for the body cameras and 2 additional external cameras for the front of the police station. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller, Salsman, Smith, Behring, Sheputis and Merkel. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Council Member Behring reported on an Ordinance Committee meeting held prior to the council meeting in which the weed/mowing ordinance was discussed and direction concerning procedure was received from City Attorney Hickman.

Council Member Salsman mentioned attending the Newly Elected Officials training.

Council Member Smith advised he had been approached about adding additional signage on West Line in an attempt to slow traffic.

The framed historical city map currently located in the council chambers will be moved to the front lobby which will allow room for current mapping.

Street Commissioner Lynn Smith reported all equipment the council authorized his department to purchase has been received.

Police Chief Eddie Bogue advised the police department had received a LiveScan fingerprint machine through grant funds. The machine retails for \$22,600.00.

Superintendent Brent Abell reported the AMI water meter change outs will begin July 5<sup>th</sup> and bids for labor/materials for the circuit upgrade will be received on July 6<sup>th</sup>. Abell also requested and received council approve to seek bids for tree trimming.

The council requested an ad be placed in the Palmyra Spectator concerning the fireworks ordinance.

A discussion was held concerning the pros and cons of having the city's code book codified. City Clerk Parsons was asked to obtain an updated codification quote from General Code.

City Attorney Hickman advised he had just received the needed documentation to complete the subdivision contract for Greystone Haven subdivision. Hickman also advised the Street Commissioner, Board Superintendent and Code Enforcement Officer needs to review the plat in detail and advise if it meets their approval.

A motion was made by Council Member Sheputis and seconded by Council Member Behring to authorize Mayor Graham and City Clerk Parsons to execute a consultant agreement with EMS Legal Services in the amount of \$750.00 annually plus out-of-pocket expenses to assist in the procedure to establish a fire protection district. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller, Salsman, Smith, Behring, Sheputis and Merkel. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Behring and seconded by Council Member Smith to authorize Mayor Graham to execute a real estate lease with Jackson Park Inc. for the ground and structures at the golf course. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller, Salsman, Smith, Behring, Sheputis and Merkel. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Graham mentioned the ribbon cutting for Foster Field which will be held on June 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the park.

The July city council meetings were set for the 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> and the August city council meetings were set for the 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

With no further business before the council a motion to adjourn was made at 8:20 p.m.

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Loren L. Graham, Mayor

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Deena L. Parsons, MRCC  
City Clerk